

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

Edward A. Neuwelt et al.

Application No.

10/669,158

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For

ADMINISTRATION OF FREE RADICAL SCAVENGERS TO

PREVENT OR TREAT ISCHEMIA-REPERFUSION INJURIES

Examiner

Christopher Robin Tate

Art Unit

1655

Docket No.

720109.401

Date

May 3, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Species Election Requirement dated March 3, 2006, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on May 3, 2006. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-25 are now pending. By an Office Action dated March 3, 2006, the Examiner has required Applicants to elect a single disclosed species for purpose of initial examination. To that end, Applicants hereby elect the species of N-acetylcysteine for initial examination purposes. Independent claim 1 is generic to this species, and dependent claims 2-25 read thereon.

Consideration of the claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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